Shamrock Newsletter

IMPORTANT DATES:
Friday, March 16th – Spirit Rally 2:15pm/ gym
    – Shamrock Day, wear green!
3/15 – 3/18  March Madness Tournament

Monday, March 19th – 4th grade Sacrament of Reconciliation 7pm/Church

Thursday, March 22nd – 1st Communion Parent & Child Meeting 7-8:15pm

Friday, March 23rd – Extended care will close at 5:30pm
    – Special Visitors: Sister Margaret Mary and Sister Katie
    – Faith Families 2-3pm
    – 3rd Quarter Ends for Gr. 6-8

3/23 – 3/25  7th grade Confirmation Retreat

Monday, March 26th – 4th Quarter Begins

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear St. Apollinaris Catholic School Families,

May the road rise up to meet you.
May the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face;
the rains fall soft upon your fields
and until we meet again,
May God hold you in the palm of His hand.

As we celebrate St. Patrick’s Day I was drawn to this prayer, finding it very timely for the place at which I find myself. I keep looking at the children, staff and families, wondering if I could ever love the new school’s community as much as I love and care for our students, faculty and families. Then I jump back to the three months left of school in which I am so blessed to enjoy here at St. Apollinaris Catholic School.

March Madness!!!!! I am so excited our annual March Madness tournament starting tonight! Check the brackets in our office windows to come and support our athletes.
New after school class! Connolly Ranch will be coming to St. A’s for an after school program in May! Watch for Connolly Ranch information for grades 1 – 5 in the next week.

Registration for next year!!! Today, registration packets went out to the families. If you do not receive a registration packet, call the office immediately.

On a personal note, thank you for the kind wishes and hugs that you have given to me, with my announcement. There is nothing that compares to the love of a Shamrock!

Peace be with you,
Connie Howard

SCHOOL NEWS

Registration is here! Please make sure you check your child’s backpack today as all re-registration packets for the 2018-2019 school year were sent home today. The deadline will be Wednesday, March 28th. Please call the office if you have any questions.

Please note that on Friday, March 23rd extended care will be closing at 5:30pm due to the Confirmation retreat that will be starting on Friday evening. Please pick up your child promptly. We apologize for any inconveniences this may cause but we appreciate your understanding.

This is a reminder that the school office must be notified when a child has been diagnosed with a communicable disease such as pink eye, strep throat, head lice, etc. Also, please remember that if a child is out with a fever, they cannot return to school until they have been fever free for 24 hours without medication. Thank you!
News & Notes from the Classroom

Classroom: 8th grade
by Eleanor Meyers

In Eighth Grade, we are really focusing on high school and choosing our classes for next year. Our basketball teams are excited for the March Madness Tournament and all of the special events that come with it, including a dance, a free dress day, and a spirit rally! In our classes we have been learning a lot. For History, we have memorized parts of the Declaration of Independence and the Preamble to the Constitution. In Language Arts we have fun discussions called “fish bowls” and we are reading a book about the 1960’s called *The Outsiders*. We are learning the Sacraments in Religion and equations of all kinds in Math. Science class includes balancing chemical equations and chemical reactions. We have been conjugating verbs in Spanish, drawing three dimensional rooms in Art, and playing games in Physical Education. We turned in our quotes for the yearbook, and we enjoyed pie on Pi Day! (3.14)

Questions and Answers...
What do you want to be when you grow up?

Cole - Superhero
Ariana - Artist
Gabriella - Vet
Gianna B. - Dentist
Priscilla - Artist
Eva - Nun
Evan - Police Officer
Massimo - Monster Truck Driver
John - Superhero
Ally - Singer
Gianna R. Police Officer
Lucy - Vet
Aria - Murder Case Detective
Kate - Doctor
Mattias - Magician
Layla - Cowgirl
Mateo - Train Driver
Ben - Scientist
Jordan - Teacher
Sofia - Teacher
Abbie - Teacher
Ethan - Police Officer
Kayden - Astronaut
Colm - Fireman
Sergio - Whistle Seller
SCRIP NEWS

Don’t miss out on scrip credit! If either of these names are affiliated with your family, please let me know so I may credit your scrip account! *Stephanie De Grange and Karen Smith*

**LOST & FOUND**

*Help a Bunny Out!*  Easter Sunday is approaching fast ……only two weeks away. If you are hosting a dinner, brunch or lunch, remember to use Scrip! Brown’s Valley Market, Genova Deli and Whole Foods all have full service deli counters that offer a wide range of delicious culinary delights to assist you in serving the very best to your family and friends. If your primary task this Easter is to assist our favorite bunny, then Target and Walmart offer a huge selection. Whatever your plans are this Easter, hop to it with Scrip!

😭 There are only **46** days remaining to fulfill your scrip obligation for the 2017/2018 school year. If you have an overage, 50% of this will go back to registration or May tuition. **You will be billed the buy-out fee of $500.00 if you have not made any purchases by April 30, 2018.**

Traveling this spring break?  Don’t forget to pack your scrip!

**Airlines:** American Airlines (6%), Delta (4%), Southwest Airlines (4%)

**Cruising:** Royal Caribbean (13%), Carnival (8%) and Celebrity Cruises (9%)

**Amusement Parks:** Disneyland or Disney World (3%)

**Hotels:** Hilton (2%), Fairmont Hotels (9%), Embassy Suites (2%), Hotels.com (6%) and many more!

**Rental Cars:** Budget (8%) and Avis (9%)

**Road trip:** Arco, Shell, 76 and BP Gas Cards are available.
New Scrip: Jamba Juice!

We are now selling Jamba Juice fundraising cards in the office. How does it work?

1) What is the cost of this card? $10.00
2) What is the scrip rebate? 50% (not a typo)
3) How does it work? This card is loaded with six "buy one get one free" smoothies.

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ATHLETIC NEWS

Congratulations to the girl's basketball team - Dan Clark Tournament Champions!! The competition was outstanding. Our girls played great and came out on top. Way to go girls!

And congratulations to our boys team for taking only one loss into the consolation championship game. They battled hard, but met defeat by a very good St. Vincent’s team. Well done boys!

March Madness Is Here!

Please come cheer on our boy’s and girl’s basketball teams this weekend at our biggest athletic department fundraiser of the year. The girls take to the court at 4:00pm today and the boys directly after at 5:15pm. These games are guaranteed to be fun for the whole family. And don’t forget to stop by the Shamrock Café for snacks and drinks.

Our 7th and 8th grade students are invited to an ice cream social with a DJ on Saturday night from 7:30-9:30pm. Tickets are $5 at the door.

Track and Field Registration is still open! Forms can be found in the school office or attached to the newsletter. We still have a few grades in need of coaching help! 2nd, 4th and 6th need you! 2nd and 4th grades need 1 more coach each and 6th needs 2 coaches. Please contact Jessica Martin at jmartin@stapollinaris.com to find out more. Thank you for your support!